



# CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

## 24-HOUR REPORT

**31 JULY 2020**

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### **(U) CALIFORNIA**

#### **(U) Berkeley – After Hanging Black Lives Matter Sign, Church Deliberately Set on Fire**

(U) The Way Christian Center in Berkeley appears to have been deliberately set on fire after hanging a Black Lives Matter sign. Damage to the building was slight, but authorities told the Rev. Mike McBride an accelerant was used. He believes someone was trying to burn down the church because a Black Lives Matter banner was put up 28 July and later that night the attempted arson event took place. Rev. McBride believes it was hate crime.

SOURCE: 30 Jul 2020, [ABC 7 News](#)

#### **(U) Fresno – 3 Injured in Gang Associated Drive-by Shooting of 4-Year Old's Birthday**

(U) A 4-year-old's birthday party ended in a drive-by shooting in southwest Fresno on the night of 29 July. Three adults were hit after several rounds were fired by the suspects. "Based on witness statements that were taken at the scene, it appears the suspects who were actually involved in the shooting are gang-affiliated," a police spokesperson said. The three victims, whose relatives say were shot in the leg, back, and grazed in the head, are all expected to survive. The gang enforcement team is going to be keeping close watch over the area, along with other specialty units.

SOURCE: 30 Jul 2020, [ABC 30 Action News](#)

### **(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**

#### **(U) Mexico – Former Security Minister Receives New Charges in US Corruption Case**

(U) Mexico City – Former top Mexican security official Genaro Garcia Luna, accused in the United States of taking bribes to help a top Mexican transnational criminal organization operate freely, has received a new charge that could add 20-years to his sentence if convicted, prosecutors said on 30 July. In January, Garcia Luna pleaded not guilty to accusations of drug trafficking conspiracy and making false statements. He is also suspected of providing sensitive information to the Sinaloa cartel and its rivals to facilitate the crimes. Prosecutors say the defendants put officials in power in certain areas controlled by the Sinaloa Cartel. Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador last May urged US authorities to probe Garcia Luna's case from within both governments.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [Reuters](#)

#### **(U) Texas – US CBP Officers Seize More Than Quarter-Million Dollars of Cocaine at Port of Entry**

(U) Harlingen – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers announced their seizures of illicit drugs at the Brownsville and Matamoros International Bridge in two separate occasions. The first incident took place on Wednesday when a 30-year-old woman was attempting to drive into the US. After agents inspected the car, they discovered nine packages hidden that contained a total of 21.65-pounds of cocaine, according to the release. The second incident took place later that day when CBP officers stopped a 38-year-old man driving into the US for a secondary inspection, when five packages containing a total of 11.99-pounds of cocaine was discovered. Officials said the estimated street value of the illicit drugs from the day's seizures is approximately \$259,000.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [Valley Central](#)

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### (U) NATIONAL

#### **(U) Georgia – Convicted Felons Charged with Illegally Possessing Cache of Weapons**

(U) Albany – Daniel Landon Knight, 29, and Haley Roberts, 32, both of Lee County, Georgia, are charged in a criminal complaint for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Lee County Sheriff Deputies took Knight into custody on a state probation warrant violation on 15 July. On 20 July, law enforcement officers arrested Roberts at the Merry Acres Inn, Albany, on a state probation warrant violation. During a search of the hotel room she was staying in, officers found 12 firearms. Both Knight and Roberts are convicted felons with criminal records in Lee County. The case is being investigated by the FBI, Lee County Sheriff's Office, GBI, and DEA.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [FBI-Atlanta Press Release](#)

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### **(U) Brazil – Dozens of Criminals Attack Banks, Cause Panic in Brazil City**

(U) Brasilia – Dozens of criminals blew up a bank branch and exchanged gunfire with police officers in a Botucatu, Sao Paulo state, officials said on 30 July. Around 30 armed men participated in the overnight attack in the city of Botucatu, located 150-miles from the state capital, and then made their getaway. Sao Paulo's Public Security Secretariat said two officers and one suspect were wounded, and police recovered rifles, vehicles, cash, and ammunition.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [AP](#)

#### **(U) Mozambique – Nine Deaths in Islamic Extremist Attacks in Northern Region of Mozambique**

(U) Cabo Delgado – At least nine people were killed in two attacks in the restive province of Cabo Delgado in northern Mozambique, local sources said. A group of armed men "hooded with Islamic handkerchiefs" invaded the village of Tandacua in Macomia, searching for food, according to a local resident. Observers say that some of the fighters in northern Mozambique are allegedly Tanzanian nationals.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [VOA](#)

#### **(U) Nigeria – One Dead, 16 Injured as Multiple Explosions Rock Maiduguri**

(U) Borno – The Borno State Commissioner of Police, Mohammed Aliyu, on 30 July confirmed the death of one person with 16 others injured following three explosions in the city of Maiduguri. Mr. Aliyu told the News Agency of Nigeria that the explosions occurred in Mairi, Custom and Gwange areas of the city. Mr. Aliyu said the actual cause of the explosions is unknown.

SOURCE: 30 July 2020, [VOA](#)

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